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Relay for Life Raises Over \$10,000

By SARA CHRISTOVICH
STAFF WRITER

JWU's second annual Relay for Life was this past weekend, March 14-15 at the Harborside Gym. About 300 students came out to participate. This was double the amount of students as last year. All together, the JWU community raised over \$10,000; which is \$3000 more than the year before.

"I thought the Relay was fantastic! I relay every year back home and I feel as though this was a great way to connect with other JWU students and organizations for a great cause," said Katelyn Spurr, a member of UIB's team.

The participants, survivors, and spectators arrived at the gym around 5:00PM on Friday night. They all set up a "camp site" inside the track. Many on campus organizations were represented. Among many, almost all Greek Organizations were at the Relay, along with SGA, UIB, Starbucks, and even groups of friends had formed teams.

As the night turned into the early morning, participants enjoyed food donated from Whole Foods, Starbucks Coffee, Dunkin Donuts, and other various snacks. There were organized games going on in Delaney Gym the entire night as well. These games involved everything from organized teams competing with soda and cheese balls, to a group of friends playing a pick up basketball game. Back in the main gym, students who took breaks from walking revisited their childhood with jump ropes and hula-hoops.



JWU Starbucks Relay for Life Team

Karen Virginio / Yearbook

Whether walking in groups or sitting at their "campsite" participants got a chance to play board games, cards, and generally bond with their team members.

For the diligent walkers, there were many themed laps to keep them going. These included: Country, represent your team, 80's, and techno laps. The DJ kept the tunes coming all night, which also kept the relay-ers awake.

For those that did need a break, they were welcome to snooze in the comfortable chairs and couches in the Rec Center, where DVDs of The Office and Family Guy were playing.

These couches got pretty crowded during the 4:00-5:00 AM time.

Things started to wind down around 5:30 with the closing ceremonies. The lucky students got to go home to bed, whereas the dedicated Relay for Life committee members stayed to clean up. (Thanks to this awesome committee who worked so hard all year!)

"Looking back on the event, it was inspiring that we raised so much money for the American Cancer Society by basically just hanging out with my friends all night," said Corey Cantrell.

Hospitality Great Cindy Estis Green Visits JWU

By SARA CHRISTOVICH
STAFF WRITER

Cindy Estis Green, a great mind in the field of hospitality, lectured in Xavier Auditorium on March 17.

Green worked for Hilton International in operational and corporate marketing positions. She was also the Director of Marketing for the National Restaurant Association.

After holding these positions, Green started her own company, Driving Revenue, which she sold in 1998. She was also the chairperson of HSMIAI. Now, she is the managing partner of The Estis Group, and speaks at national conferences and visits college campuses.

Green has also written an industry guide, De-Mystifying Distribution, which she is currently rewriting a second edition. This guide was designed to help hospitality professionals better understand distribution channels in their fields.

Green's lecture attracted hospitality students, business students, as well as Student Activities staff. In a relaxed yet professional presentation, she involved the audience's opinions and questions. She began by explaining her career path. She related to the students in the audience on many levels.

Subsequently, Green discussed some industry trends in the hospitality world today. On the topic of travel marketing, she discussed the importance of technology in the twenty-first century.

Event coordinator Sean Harrell was passionate about bringing Green to JWU for the benefit of the students. "To have the opportunity to speak one on one with someone who is such a noted professional in this field is truly phenomenal.

"There is a need for students to see what opportunities are out there, and just how easily attainable they are."

When asked what advice she would give to college graduates, Green suggested they use their strengths and acknowledge their weaknesses, work harder than anyone else, avoid toxic environments, define their own versions of success, and keep their eyes, ears, and options open.

She pointed out that older generations are looking to college graduates to bring enthusiasm and energy to the workplace.

Green works with top hospitality executives to improve corporate culture and increase sales revenues. She knows what companies are looking for first hand.

Green's ideas have shaped the way ALL hotels operate. Once seen as ridiculous or far-fetched, they have helped major hotel corporations skyrocket to unbelievable heights.

Green's lecture helped to set wheels in motion in students' minds and offered a new realm of hospitality that some students might have thought did not exist.

Cindy Estis Green received her bachelor's degree from the Cornell University School of Hotel Administration. Later in life, she received her MBA from American University in Marketing.

"Raise Your Voice!"

By NICK ZANDE
WORK-STUDY

On March 18, Maureen Curley presented on how students can speak out about the issues that are important to them.

Curley said that organizations not only want young people on their boards of directors and boards of trustees, but some organizations are required to have people between the ages of 18-25 on these boards. This is because these organizations want to hear the opinion of young people.

Curley is part of a program that was founded 22 years ago that had the sole purpose of training students in the Rhode Island area to function in a community. This program now has chapters around the country. To date, students have done 7.1 billion dollars of work; 91% of program members offer learning services.

This presentation was supported by Susan Connory, who works with the Feinstein Organizations. She listed events that are opened to the students that are apart of this program.

On April 1st at 11:30, April 18th at 11:30, and April 28th at 6:00 P.M. there will be events which students can attend as part of the Raise-Your Voice program.

University Celebrates Women's History Month

By SARA CHRISTOVICH
STAFF WRITER

March is Women's History Month, and the JWU Women's Center, under the direction of Korina Ramsland, has planned and is hosting events all month long. Some of the events that have already taken place include: Healthy Body Image Workshops, Battle the Gap: Salary negotiating techniques for women entering the workforce, and an HIV/AIDS awareness seminar.

The Women's fair highlighted 'Women in Service' including women involved in Greek life on campus. Another event that the Women's Center was involved in was bringing the speaker, Cindy Estis Green to campus, who spoke about difficulties in the past and present that women face in a male dominated work environment. There is still one more event going on in March for Women's History Month. It is taking place tonight (March 26). Take Back The Night will begin in Pepsi Forum, followed by a Silent Witness march and candlelight vigil in Gaebe Commons.

"Women's History Month is important as it brings issues that are significant to women, as well bringing focus to influential women of the past, present and future into a

national forum. However, these issues and achievements belong to all people, not only women. Also, these issues and achievements should be thought about year round, not just March." (Korina Ramsland, Director of the Women's Center)

Missed the events in March? It's not too late to start joining the women of JWU in their events coming up throughout the rest of the year. The Vagina Monologues will be performed twice, once on each campus to ensure that all students can attend. The show will be at Pepsi Forum on April 1 at 6:00 PM and at Tyson Amphitheatre on April 8 at 7:30. The Women's Center is also bringing Jackson Katz to JWU. He is the author of "The Macho Paradox: Why Some Men Hurt Women and How All Men Can Help." This program will be April 28 in Xavier Auditorium at 7:00 PM.

"The Women's Center is proud to be able to put a spotlight on these issues year-round, and is happy to work with any groups who are interested in collaborative programming, or finding out more about the JWU Women's Center and its mission." (Korina Ramsland)

Come visit the Women's Center on the third floor of CBCSI or email Korina Ramsland for more information.



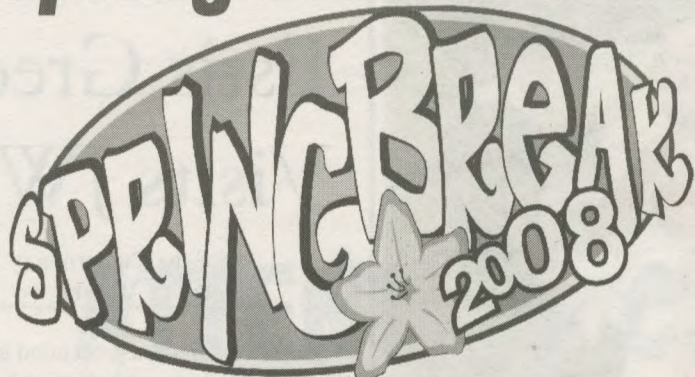
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CORRECTION:



In the last edition of The Campus Herald we misidentified this photo; **Audrey K. Gaebe (LEFT)** the late wife of Morris J. W. Gaebe Chancellor Emeritus of Johnson & Wales University with Vilma Triangolo (RIGHT). The Campus Herald apologizes for this mistake.

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 Commuter student arrested for an alcohol violation.

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 Commuter student arrested for an alcohol violation.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 3:50 A.M. -- ATTEMPTED STRONGARM ROBBERY
 Harborside Village greenspace between Buildings H and J

Male non-student reported he was approached by an unknown male subject who demanded the victim's wallet. When the victim refused, a fight between the two ensued. The victim was able to fend off his attacker and keep possession of his wallet. Providence and Cranston Police Departments were notified.

Suspect was described as a black male about 6 ft 2 in tall, 180 pounds with black hair and brown eyes with a large beard and wearing a black sweater and jeans.

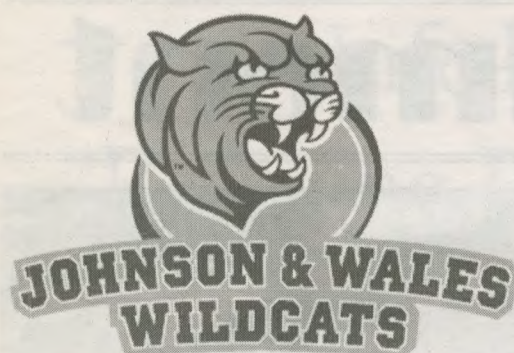
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Baseball Sweeps Husson 7-6, 5-1

By DANIEL BOOTH
DIRECTOR OF ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS

The Johnson & Wales baseball team swept a pair of non-conference contests against Husson at Pierce Field on Saturday afternoon. JWU took a 7-6 win in the opener and finished off the day with a 5-1 win in the nightcap.

In the opener, Husson jumped out to an early 2-0 lead after a two run double by sophomore Dennis Graham (Miramichi, New Brunswick) in the top of the second.

Junior Brian McGinley (Hermon, Maine) put the Hawks ahead 3-0 on an RBI single in the top of the third.

The Wildcats responded in the bottom of the fourth when a five run inning gave the team the 5-3 lead.

The inning was highlighted by a three run double by senior Brad Jackson (Setauket, N.Y.).

The visiting Hawks rallied for three in the top of the seventh on a two run home run by freshman Chris Maguire (Orland, Maine) and an RBI single by freshman Logan York (Presque Isle, Maine) to take the 6-5 advantage.

Once again, the Wildcats responded in the bottom of the seventh.

Senior Mike Manley (Verona, N.J.) led off with a double and scored on an RBI single by junior Justin Maldonado (South Burlington, Vt.) to knot the game at 6-6.

Junior Eric Rapuano (Clinton, Conn.) then provided what would prove to be the game-winning hit when an RBI single scored senior Mike Ziman (Bridgeport, Conn.) to put the team up 7-6.

Senior Erik Hufnagel (Sykesville, Md.)

picked up the win for JWU, allowing six runs on eight hits with nine strikeouts in seven innings of work. Fellow senior Josh Hodge (Sherburne, N.Y.) earned up the save with two innings of hitless relief.

In the second game, the Wildcats got on the board early when sophomore Waldis Garcis (Lowell, Mass.) led off with a bunt single and capitalized on a pair of Husson errors to come all the way around to score, giving JWU the 1-0 lead.

Jackson then followed with a solo home run to put the team up 2-0. An RBI single by freshman Tom Crews (Bangor, Maine) in the top of the sixth helped the Hawks cut the lead to 2-1.

In the bottom of the sixth, Jackson belted his second home run of the day, a two-run shot to put the Wildcats in front by a score of 4-1.

The team added an insurance run in the eighth en route to the 5-1 victory.

Sophomore Jeff Jordan (Woodbridge, N.J.) notched up the win for JWU, allowing one unearned run on two hits with two strikeouts in seven innings.

Sophomore Nick Marine (Bristol, R.I.) pitched two innings of scoreless relief for the Wildcats.

Jackson was 4-for-8 with two runs and six RBI in the two wins for JWU.

Crews went 3-for-7 with two runs and an RBI in the day for Husson.

The Wildcats are now 6-6 for the season while Husson falls to 4-10 for the season.

JWU will return to action on Monday, March 24th when they travel to Coast Guard for a non-conference contest, starting at 3:30 P.M.

and one block while senior Albert Trevino (San Antonio, Texas) notched 17 set assists, eight kills and five digs in the victory JWU.

Wentworth freshman Wes Ancheta (Newton, Mass.) had five kills and seven digs while junior George Yau (Brockton, Mass.) added 16 set assists in the setback for the Leopards.

With the win Johnson & Wales is now 9-18 for the season, 5-6 in the NECVA while Wentworth falls to 3-13, 3-7 in league play. The Wildcats will return to action on Tuesday, March 25th when they host Lasell in a non-conference contest, starting at 7:00 p.m.

Sleepers and Snubs Predicting the Bracket

By ANDY ANDREWS
THE FLAT HAT
(COLLEGE OF WILLIAM & MARY)

As March Madness begins, it's time to take a look ahead to the weeks to come.

POTENTIAL SLEEPERS

Davidson holds the nation's longest winning streak at 22 games. The Wildcats are led by sophomore guard Stephen Curry.

Averaging 25.1 points per game, Curry is one of the best scorers in the tournament and combines with senior guard Jason Richards (who leads the nation in assists) for 37.7 points per game, 10.8 assists per game and 3.3 steals per game. Expect the Wildcats to be a dangerous team this tournament if they can get past their opening contest today against Gonzaga.

Another team that could surprise is Clemson. The Tigers have a tandem of big men that could provide trouble for Kansas if they meet in the Sweet 16. Clemson heated up at the end of the season and lost a close game to UNC in the ACC final. The Tigers also took the Tar Heels into overtime and double-overtime in the teams two regular season meetings.

SNUB LIST

Virginia Tech tops my snub list. The Hokies finished fourth in the ACC, the nation's toughest conference according to RPI, and advanced to the semifinals of the ACC tournament before losing to UNC at the buzzer. Despite the Hokies' credentials, the selection committee greatly disrespected Virginia Tech and the ACC by only granting the conference four bids while giving Clemson and Miami much lower seeds than they deserved. Vir-

ginia Tech should have been the ACC's fifth team in the dance.

Another team I was surprised to see the committee overlook was VCU. In addition to boasting some impressive non-conference wins over Houston, Maryland and Akron, the Rams won the CAA regular season title by three games before getting knocked out of the CAA Tournament by a buzzer beater from our very own Laimis Kisielius. While losing to the Tribe hurt VCU's resume, the Rams still did enough to warrant an invite from the committee.

NATIONAL CHAMPION

UCLA is my pick to win it all. The Bruins have experience, returning many players from their squads that made consecutive Final Four appearances the last two years, including all but one from last season's run. This year the Bruins added the missing piece with freshman center Kevin Love. Now the only thing preventing UCLA from going all the way is the health of Love and junior forward Luc Richard Mbah a Moute. Love sprained his back in the Pac-10 title game, but the National Player of the Year candidate was able to practice Tuesday and is expected to be healthy for the tournament. Mbah a Moute, a significant contributor to the Bruins' consecutive Final Four appearances, sprained his ankle for the second time this season in the Pac-10 semifinal, making his availability questionable as the tournament gets underway. If Mbah a Moute is unable to contribute his usual productive minutes, it will add to the load Love will have to carry on his already sore back. Nevertheless, UCLA has the right mix of veteran experience and youthful exuberance to conquer the madness and be the last team standing April 7.

Men's Volleyball Blanks Wentworth 3-0

By DANIEL BOOTH
DIRECTOR OF ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS

The Johnson & Wales University men's volleyball team defeated Wentworth by a score of 3-0 in North East Collegiate Volleyball Association contest at the Harbor-side RAC on Thursday evening. Johnson & Wales took the first game by a score of 30-24, went ahead 2-0 after a 30-22 win in the second game and completed the sweep with a 30-27 win in the third game.

Johnson & Wales freshman Eric Minnich (Bay Area, Calif.) led the way with 11 kills

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@Paradise Rock Club (Boston,
MA)/\$35 - 8 pm

March 18
Chevelle, Finger Eleven
@Lupos/\$25 - 7 pm

March 18
Our Last Night,
A Loss For Words,
Orchestrate The Incident
@Club Hell/\$10 - 6 pm

March 19
Aiden,
My American Heart,
Madina Lake
@Living Room/\$12 - 7 pm

March 21
TAKE ACTION TOUR
Every Time I Die,
From First to Last,
The Bled
August Burns Red
@Palladium (Worcester,
MA)/\$20 - 6 pm

March 22
Vanna, The Homefront,
Mourning The Dead, Vallon
@Living Room/\$10 - 8 pm

March 24
VAN HALEN
@Dunkin Donuts Center
\$50-100 - 7 pm

March 26
BONE THUGS N HARMONY,
BLESTE NATION
The Rhode Show
@Lupos/\$20 - 8 pm

March 28-30
RIVERDANCE
@PPAC/\$35-68 - 6 pm

March 28
Say Anything,
Manchester Orchestra
Weatherbox
@Palladium (Worcester,
MA)/\$16.50 - 6 pm

If you want your band's show listed, or know of any other good shows to check out, contact jnb053@students.jwu.edu.

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Video Game
News and
Reviews

Rolling in his Grave: Gary Gygax, 1938-2008

By OTTO NEUBAUER
ASSISTANT EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

When Earnest Gary Gygax died in his home on March 4, his death was largely ignored by the world press. It wasn't covered on CNN or Fox News. It didn't make the front page of The New York Times or The Wall Street Journal.

But one community did not spend more than five or ten minutes without mourning his death. They held funerals and wakes--not just one, but ten or twenty.

This community wasn't his hometown of Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. It wasn't his birthplace, Chicago. It wasn't any geographic community. Rather, it was the online community of role playing gamers in games such as World of Warcraft and Final Fantasy.

Why would video game players care about the death of the man who invented Dungeons & Dragons, a technologically simple game involving nothing more than pen, paper, books, and twenty-sided dice? The answer lies in a common misconception regarding the history and evolution of video games.

While stereotyped as a game for uber-nerds and, as it grew in popularity, a nihilistic sanctuary for the antisocial, Dungeons & Dragons is anything but. The game itself is simply a modified form of the oldest human passtime--storytelling.

In a Dungeons & Dragons game, one player known as the Dungeon Master is charged with coming up with a situation (a Dungeon). The Dungeon Master then guides the other players through the Dungeon, representing the forces of evil. He

tells the story of the adventure, while the participants make decisions, never knowing what will come next.

To some extent, even the Dungeon Master doesn't know. Dungeons & Dragons uses many dice, some with as many as twenty sides, to input randomness into the game.

This is where video games come into the picture. With the advent of computers, the mathematical calculations in Dungeons & Dragons could be automated. This spawned the second generation of Role Playing Games--simple text-based software that would hardly be considered a 'game' at all by the standards of modern video gamers.

Later, as mass market computers were produced with improved graphics, the third generation of Role Playing Games evolved. These games, played on both computers and video game consoles, featured quality graphics and complex, well-constructed plots. *The Legend of Zelda* is the most well known of these console Role Playing Games.

As the Internet went from a novelty used by few to a business tool and then to a staple of life, the fourth generation of Role Playing Games came into being--Massively Multiplayer Online Role Playing Games, or MMORPGs. These games featured the complex, quality plots of console Role Playing Games, while restoring the creativity lost since the storytelling days of Dungeons & Dragons.

Nowadays, it is hard to find a college student who doesn't know at least the basic idea behind MMORPGs. Nearly all of us have friends,

family, or roommates who play or have played MMORPGs. Even the Campus Herald staff contains several gamers who play World of Warcraft. And this editor won't even start on how many of us have played other Role Playing Games.

Video games would not be where they are today if it weren't for Gary Gygax. While there are still a few games in which players shoot and kill without rhyme or reason, the vast majority of modern games contain some semblance of plot and characterization. In effect, games are designed as a novel is written. Designers come up with a plot and characters, then design scenarios and conflicts around them.

This is directly thanks to the roots of modern gaming, the storytelling days of Dungeons & Dragons.

If Gary and company hadn't sat around a table, adventuring across a large piece of paper accompanied by rulebooks and twenty-sided dice, we wouldn't be sitting around our computers today, adventuring through Tolkienesque lands with friends--but not only friends.

Through video games, I've gotten to know people I wouldn't otherwise socialize with. I've adventured through forests with married couples. I've defended cities against foreign attacks alongside Marines serving in Iraq. I believe that, contrary to accusations from overprotective parenting groups, online role playing games do more to discourage antisocialism than just about anything else. And it's all thanks to the work of Gary Gygax.

Rest in peace, Gary. You will be missed.

Johnson & Wales students can purchase discounted movie tickets at the Office of Student Activities Box Offices located on the 1st floor of the CBCSI Building Downcity & 2nd floor of the Harborside Recreation Center

Life lines “Rescuing Providence”

By **BILL RODRIGUEZ**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Providence RI (AP) -- When Michael Morse was a boy in the 1970s, the TV show Emergency was his favorite, and when playing war he always wanted to be the medic. So when the Providence firefighter was transferred to the rescue division, supposedly for only six months, he found that he liked it. Preferred it, actually.

Sixteen years have gone by, with Lt. Morse working one of the busiest EMS operations in the country — the Rescue 1 truck he rides responds to approximately 5000 calls every year. He has packed in more than enough experiences to fill the 155 pages of Rescuing Providence (Paladin Press, paperback, \$22), as he takes us along with him on a 34-hour overtime tour of the city. Rescue 1 responds to a maternity call and to someone described as “an emotional woman with a knife, bleeding from the wrists,” to a couple of shooting victims and a belligerent drunk driver who plowed into a guard rail. And so on.

Morse is working out of the Allens Avenue Station, “located within blow-up distance of the area’s fuel tank farms.” Rescue 1 and the other teams respond to more than fires, so they respond more often. The absence of opportunities to rush into burning buildings combined with constantly being called — not just being on call — makes EMS work something that firemen more often are reluctantly assigned to rather than sign up for. “Most young guys want nothing to do with rescue,” Morse writes. “The thrill of firefighting is something that understandably takes all the good guys away from EMS.” (That assessment is harder than he shows to be the case, as he describes some dedicated colleagues at work.)

Morse’s own enthusiasm for rescue can get downright giddy. Under “Acknowledgments” he quotes from the St. Crispin’s Day speech in Henry V, which addresses “we few, we happy few, we band of brothers . . .” He feels that being given life-and-death responsibilities every day has improved him as a person, though the occasional challenge of a burning building had not. Morse recalls standing over the broken body of a college student who had slipped off a dormitory roof, as he is about to take him to an emer-

gency room that would save his life, with not a minute to spare. Morse thinks: “I’m just a regular guy who a few years ago couldn’t manage his own life, never mind leading a team of firefighters in this grim effort.”

Forty-two at the time recounted, Morse has been sobered up by the combined efforts of his wife, Cheryl, who is suffering from MS, and his daily mortality reminders on the street. He tells us about a 15-year-old kid with two bullets in him who looked up and

declared, “I’m going to die.” Morse writes: “I don’t like lying to people who I know will be dead in minutes, because it doesn’t seem fair.” So he tells them to hang on but doesn’t tell them that they’re going to live.

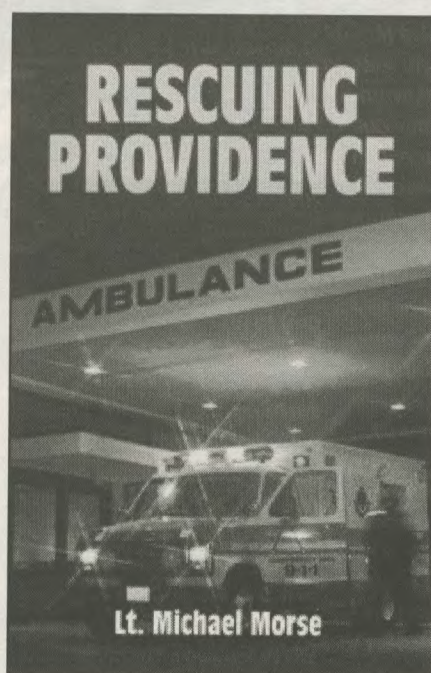
Many of the rescue calls are from people who have no emergency but simply want a free ride to the hospital, for a toothache or even a bad dream. And then there are the regulars like Darryl, a street drunk who calls 911 every day, sometimes twice, this day wearing clean clothes

he stole from someone else in detox the night before.

At one point Morse and his partner respond to a stabbing, and one of the friends of the victim says to him, “If he dies, you die,” as they make their way through the crowd.

Such treatment has taken its toll on his partner Mike, who has told him that he’s putting in for reassignment to a ladder truck. Morse tells us that he has been thinking of quitting himself, since the work can be unbearable without such a compatible partner. Perhaps coincidentally, perhaps for the convenience of time compression, for his last shift this day he is assigned a young firefighter named Renato who enthuses over saving the life of an elderly woman who would have died of congestive heart failure without the EMTs. “Let me know if you ever need a partner,” he says to Morse. We’re glad for both of them.

To check in on how they’re doing, you can go to Morse’s ongoing blog at rescuing-providence.blogspot.com.



South By Southwest shows music’s future

By **KEVIN SEARS**
DAILY O’COLLEGIAN (OKLAHOMA STATE U.)

For about a week each year, the entire music industry packs up its offices and moves to Austin, Texas, for the annual South By Southwest music festival.

Industry insiders, members of the press, bloggers and thousands of bands and people attend SXSW.

Unlike most festivals, SXSW hosts bands that generally play more than one show and sometimes even play more than one in a day - Illinois band Headlights played 11 times. The festival lasted from March 12 to 16.

During the festival, I was able to catch about 50 acts - some more than once - including The Autumns, Balmorhea, Black Mountain, British Sea Power, Cloud Cult, Colourmusic, Dodos, Evangelicals, Gentleman Auction House, Headlights, Health, Islands, Mom, Nada Surf, Brian Posehn, So Many Dynamos, Soundtrack Of Our Lives, This Is American Music Revue, The Weak-erthans and Why?.

Instead of giving you a daily rundown or a blow-by-blow of each act, I will tell you about the top three shows I saw.

3. This Is American Music Revue, Black Diamond Heavies, Gentleman Auction House and So Many Dynamos - KDHX 88.1 FM Twangfest/Billiken Club Day Party

This party was by far the most solid lineup. It was south of the majority of events, so staying most of the day required interesting music.

It all started with This Is American Music Revue featuring sets from Glossary, The Drams, Two Cow Garage and Grand Champ-peon. All of these bands fall under the alt-country umbrella and set the tone early as a fun revolving cast of rockers.

Following their set, the duo Black Diamond Heavies took the stage and wowed the audience with its blues-rock, played with an organ, bass keyboard and drums.

The music wasn’t original, but the singer was in control of the organ and bass at the same time.

After that set, St. Louis’ Gentleman Auction House captivated the audience with its perfect blend of rock and pop, making it the best band of the day.

Next was So Many Dynamos, another

band from St. Louis. These guys have a slight new-wave feel, a la the Cars, with a huge hit of early Weezer. They played several new songs from their upcoming album, which Chris Walla of Death Cab For Cutie produced.

2. Why? and Cloud Cult - Pitchforkmedia.com Day Party

Why? and Cloud Cult are two of the most interesting bands in the country.

They have a penchant for pop music and mix it with hip-hop beats to create a hybrid, unheard-of sound.

Cloud Cult opened the party with a diverse group of instruments to achieve its sound, as well as an artist painting live during the set.

Why? had a sparse number of instruments but a large amount of musical talent.

Why? played several shows but never played a song more than once during the festival.

The bands’ energy and talent could win over any music fan. Seeing them back to back was more than I could have hoped for.

1. HEALTH - Paste/Stereogum.com Day Party

HEALTH is an experimental rock/electronic/pop band from Los Angeles and has one album, which is self-titled, out on Love-pump United Records.

This band was the most interesting band I saw during the entire festival.

It has the usual rock instruments but adds effects, keyboards and all sorts of electronic gadgets to its unique poppy noise assault.

With minimal lyrics, pulsating drum and multiple layers of sound, HEALTH is equal parts Radiohead’s “Kid A” and Animal Collective.

My four days at SXSW was better than I hoped for.

It was a great place to catch bands that normally don’t come through this region and see bands a lot of people have never heard.

SXSW was the best music event I have attended because of the wide scope of talent and range of events each day.

Music industry insiders who have trouble putting down their Blackberrys, bands who apparently shop at the same stores for the same pair of skinny black jeans and fans who want nothing more than to catch a glimpse of the future of music or their favorite bands attend this giant festival.

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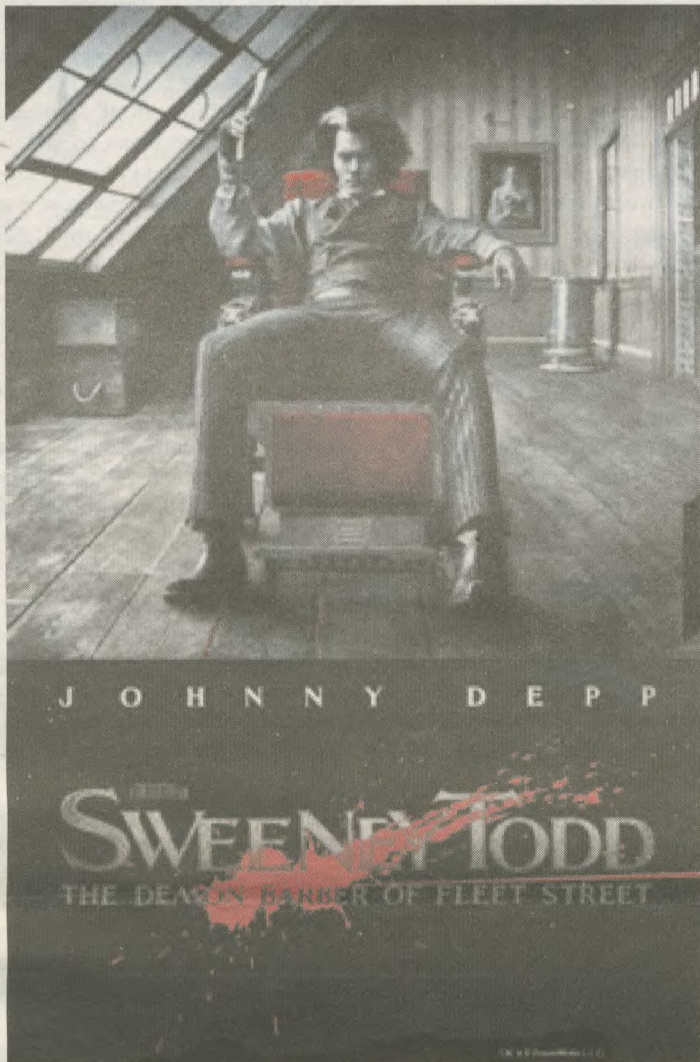
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Ideas and Opinions

5 Years Later

By PATRICK DYL
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

According to the Brown Daily Herald, and other news sources, eight students, seven from Brown University and one from the Rhode Island School of Design, were arrested Thursday for protesting the war in Iraq at an Army National Guard recruitment office on Weybosset Street. More than 20 people participated in the protest, which was organized by Providence Students for a Democratic Society as part of a week of events for the fifth anniversary of the U.S. occupation in Iraq.

The protest, which began at noon, featured eight students occupying the inside of the office, with supporters chanting outside the building. Students inside were arrested and charged with the obstruction of lawful pursuits, according to a police report. The protesters inside conveyed their intent to protest peacefully to a few recruitment officers, saying, "We're not going to engage you in any conflict," according to Brown SDS member Susan Beaty '10, who was among those arrested.

The students sat inside the office for over an hour and blocked the front door before being arrested around 1:30, Beaty said, adding that the recruitment officers called the police only when they realized the door was blocked.

Upon arrival the police asked protesters if they would leave the door unobstructed, according to SDS press contact Donata Secondo '10. When they refused, the protesters were asked if they wanted to be arrested, to which they said yes. The eight arrests were an SDS "record," Secondo said, which "we're very proud of."

The eight students then spent about five hours in a public safety complex before being released. Their arraignment date is set for

April 1.

Though the protest was peaceful, its methods were more direct than in previous rallies, Secondo said. "We've seen over the past four years that writing letters to congressmen, voting in 2006 (for an anti-war candidate) hasn't been successful," Secondo said. "The actions today speak louder than those in the past."

I support the actions of these brave students, and am saddened that I was unable to join them. Acts of civil disobedience, and protest are some of the most effective means to share your message with fellow citizens and a callous government that cares little about what

the people think.

The illegal invasion and occupation of Iraq is in its fifth year. Around 4,000 American soldiers have been killed. Conservative estimates put the death toll of Iraqi civilians somewhere between 82,000 to 90,000 deaths. Think hard about that number. There are approximately 10,000 students at the Johnson & Wales University Providence Campus. More than eight times the number of people in our student body has died in the last five years. Where is the outrage?

What does our future hold? The cost of the war in Iraq is over Five Hundred Billion Dollars (\$500,000,000,000). That is \$4,681 per household, \$1,721 per person, \$341.4 million PER DAY!

What have we gotten out of Iraq? More hatred from a people who have been used as pawns for centuries, more hatred from people who have had their land taken, reorganized and butchered by outsiders.

We must leave Iraq now.

We must beg the world's forgiveness.

We must do this four ourselves, and our future.

THE EDITOR'S DESK

Strong Women Shoot Back

By OTTO NEUBAUER
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With the coming of spring, so comes March, Women's History Month. Accordingly, the campus feminists are lacing up their shoes and heading out of the kitchen to spread their left-wing ideas.

On the agenda for the month are a number of lectures, including one entitled *Battling the Earning Gap*. This editor wonders what earning gap they are referring to.

While the average working woman earns less than the average working man, this fails to take into account important statistical differences between the two. Women are much more likely to interrupt their careers for 1-3 years then men (typically due to childbirth). This has the most significant effect in high paying fields--law and medicine come to mind. You just can't come back after such a long break and be on par with those who have been working since college.

Comparing men and women in similar jobs with similar years of consecutive work experience shows no statistically significant earning gap.

Of course, that doesn't mean women should jump up and get an intensive career. Far from it. A recent study in *Social Forces*, a research journal, found that women--even those who describe themselves as feminist--were happier when their husband was the primary breadwinner.

In fact, gentlemen, according to a study in the *American Journal of Sociology*, marrying a working woman makes you likely to get sick more often.

But don't tell that to the feminists. When they're not hosting lectures and 'conversations', they're marching about and organizing demonstrations.

Their next event, *Take Back the Night*, involves marching around campus at night with candles to protest sexual assault and abuse.

I've always been a bit puzzled by this event. It's not like there's any political support for sexual assault (Democratic support for President Clinton aside), so what are they protesting?

They argue that they don't 'feel' safe walking at night because of the risk of rape--hence, the name of the event. But if the issue is safety, might I suggest they use flashlights instead of candles? Flashlights are easier to use, and carrying a blunt object with you doesn't hurt if your goal is self-defense. Plus, they won't have to worry about setting their naturally blond hair aflame.

But why bother with a flashlight at all when you can have the ultimate in self-defense? Anyone truly worried about their safety should own a handgun. If a pervert attempts to sexually assault a woman, she is not left to his mercy. It's simply an extension of the age-old theory of Mutually Assured Destruction.

Liberals--whether concerned with women's safety, pulling out of Iraq, or any one of a plethora of issues--think that waving candles at rallies will change people's minds. And they might be right. But why risk it all and put yourself at the mercy of others when you can make a small investment for all the protection you need?

I've never fired a gun (other than a BB gun when I was young) in my life, and I don't anticipate the need to own one, because I don't anticipate any threats to my life. But if these women genuinely feel threatened, they should exercise their equal rights to buy a gun, equal skill to aim the gun, and equal willpower to pull the trigger.

FACTS AND FALLACIES

Letters to the Editor

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Quote of the issue...

"The invasion of Iraq in 2003 was a tragedy, for Iraq, for the U.S., for the U.N., for truth and human dignity."

- Former U.N. chief weapons inspector Hans Blix, in an opinion piece he wrote for England's Guardian newspaper

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Students for Life

A lot of our older generations worry about us, the generation Y. They say that we don't stand for anything--that we are just a bunch of self-centered workaholics. And I was being to believe them. Here at Johnson & Wales one of the biggest complaints I hear as a student leader is the lack of involvement and care from my fellow peers.

Times have changed...

Through a mass operation by Student Government we teamed up with Residential Life, Dining Services, Greeks, Clubs, and Organizations to raise approximately \$15,000.00! What an amazing undertaking! The SGA hosted our 2nd Annual Relay For Life with 339 Students, Administrators, Faculty, and even the facilities' kids. Yes, here at Johnson & Wales, we are the concerned members of our community. It's no longer President Bowen or President Schneider writing a check to a needy organization but its students putting their funds to something they believe in. Our efforts are making a difference in the lives of so many cancer patients and their families - not to mention all of the people that WON'T get cancer because of the advancements that we're making in the medical field (which the funds that we raise help to support). JWU's Community came out Friday night to support seven cancer survivors that we personally know and see on an everyday basis.

This isn't a Grammy nomination so I will

keep the Thank Yous short. But this event would not of have happened without the help of key players such as Tanya McGinn the director of Student Activities and Stephanie Saint the American Cancer Society College Staff Partner. Along with Kristina McDonald, Krystina Militello, Jessica Lopez (SHRM), Julie Johnson (AIGA), Josh Manley (AIGA), Chris Bisciotti (TEP), Jill Kent (UIB), Alex Skrabut (Res Life), Melissa Heep (Dance Club), John O'Connell (Special Functions), Evan Lemoine (Tongue Fu), Shawna White (SGA), Jason Hughes (Res Life), Scott Lyons, John Murphy (Starbucks), and many many many more volunteers the night of.

This event is rapidly growing! And is something to stay on campus for a while! Johnson & Wales blew through last year's numbers, more than doubling them for our 08 event! Talk about our 09 event will be beginning soon! We are planning to start things off as early as Open House next fall. If you are interested in becoming a part of the planning committee please email JLA738@jwu.edu or Stephanie.saint@cancer.org.

JJ Atkins

Relay for Life Coordinator

Hold Your Horses

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After a brief hibernation, the issue of homosexual marriage is reemerging into prominent public debate. Last month, New Jersey Gov. Jon Corzine announced that he would seek to allow official marriages for same-sex couples in his state, replacing the current policy of civil unions. These unions, meant to be equivalent to marriage in all but the name, have fallen short of expectations: Employers that afford benefits to married couples have continued to deny them to civil union partners.

Roughly two-thirds of New Jersey residents would like to see the civil union policy replaced by full marriage equality. But Corzine has prudently decided to wait until after the coming presidential election to push for the new measure, recalling how the 2004 promulgation of gay marriage in Massachusetts helped mobilize right-wing sentiment and re-elect George W. Bush. For some, this isn't fast enough. Gay rights groups that have criticized the shortcomings of civil unions are eager to rectify a statute that has placed a significant burden on the gay community. But moving ahead on this initiative before November 4 would be courting disaster for all progressive goals.

To be sure, upgrading civil unions to full and equal marriage is a worthwhile endeavor. In New Jersey, homosexuals in civil unions have frequently been denied benefits that their partners' employers extend to married couples. The result is an arbitrary and unjust burden imposed on the basis of sexual preference.

Meanwhile, the arguments of gay marriage's detractors are utterly unconvincing. Some are still swayed by the Bible's condemnation of homosexuality; but the injunctions of Leviticus, Romans and Genesis do not justify a legally mandated code of private personal conduct. America's public policy rests on the needs of its citizens, not on the mores of long-dead theologians. Other foes of marriage equality have seized upon the fanciful notion that children need the influence of both a mother and a father to develop normally. They have no evidence, nor do they need any - it's just one petty prejudice to the defense of another.

The root of all this fervid opposition isn't hard to discern. Thousands of years ago, it was advantageous for humans to breed feverishly: The more offspring, the better a community's chance to survive and prosper. And since homosexuality, from a reproductive standpoint, is essentially a waste of sexual energy and material, those societies that discouraged it had the best chance to endure and to pass on their customs. And it is those customs, passed down across generations and through millennia, that motivate the detractors of gay marriage. Modern society doesn't demand that we breed like rabbits,

and homophobia - whether framed as gospel truth or flimsy sociological theory - is obsolete.

However, the denial of marriage equality is a far less pressing issue than many others facing America. It's certainly unfair to withhold from homosexual families the opportunities freely accorded to heterosexuals. But think of the cost of remedying the problem. The upcoming election will determine America's approach to a likely recession and the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. The far right, which has in past elections turned out in force to support mismanagement of the economy and endangerment of national security, is demoralized by its political failures and its choice of candidates. But a renewed debate over gay marriage could provide just the boost it needs to mobilize once more and keep progressive and sensible aims off the national agenda.

Certainly, the reactionaries are no less rabid than they were in 2004 when they campaigned and voted enthusiastically in an election widely viewed to have been decided on the basis of "moral issues." And the solid majority of Americans still share their opposition to marriage equality. Though New Jersey's homosexual families deserve equal treatment, there is far too much at stake to accommodate them immediately.

That said, there is plenty of work to be done across the country to undo the point-less framework of discriminatory legislation. New Jersey's homosexuals have been let down by civil unions, but as Americans they're lucky to have them at all. Thirty-nine states still have no institution even vaguely approximating homosexual marriage, and only six of those thirty-nine are currently reviewing their policy. Civil unions are deficient, but they are far better than the options facing gay couples in most states, and they have the support of a majority of Americans.

Another sensible objective is the repeal of the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy, which bars openly homosexual people from military service. Most Americans oppose this antiquated measure, and it is particularly vulnerable during a time of war when useful personnel have been discharged based on the irrelevant criterion of their sexual preference.

Still, gay Americans denied the right to marry can reasonably ask, "If not now, when?" America is steadily growing more tolerant, but the cruel reality is that the process of cultural liberalization will proceed too slowly for many homosexual couples currently petitioning for access to marriage. For the residents of New Jersey, it is only a matter of months; many other deserving couples may have to wait years. But the price of charging ahead to secure their rights would simply be too great to justify the gains.

Drug Users Need Health Care, not Handcuffs

BY ROSS LAWRENCE
CAVALIER DAILY (U. VIRGINIA)

Imagine a world where people addicted to cigarettes, alcohol or even prescription painkillers were plucked from society and treated as criminals. Sound like an invasion of privacy, a waste of resources or simply a bad idea? Current U.S. drug policy, which is mirrored by many countries throughout the world, dictates that illicit drug abusers are often treated in this way.

Granted, this analogy -- like any other -- isn't perfect. Different substances require different policies. Nonetheless, it is high time that the United States turns a critical eye towards its own strategies for tackling drug use. While wholesale legalization might yield the best results, the government doesn't need to necessarily go that far; simply emphasizing a public health approach over a criminal justice one could save money and have a positive effect on our communities.

For a sweeping reform of the current system, extensive legalization is one option. And this would certainly have enormous positive outcomes. The United Nations estimated in 2005 that illegal drug trade is worth about \$321 billion annually. For those willing to accept the risks, this industry is a potential gold mine, lining the pockets of criminals, terrorists and corrupt public officials. Regulating this business would not only make it safer but could line governments' accounts with billions in tax revenue. Countries could certainly put this money to far better use than these illegitimate "narco-states" could.

Of course, the problem with outright legalization is that no one can reliably predict what the results will be. This is especially dependent on which substances are legalized. If the use of cocaine, for example, significantly increased, all of the positives mentioned above could easily be overshadowed by a public health crisis.

The problem with absolute prohibition is, quite simply, that it doesn't work. While the goal is noble and well-intentioned, a "drug-free world" simply isn't realistic. Ethan Nadelmann, founder and executive director of the Drug Policy Alliance, argued this point in a Foreign Policy magazine article appearing last year. He pointed out a telling fact: in 1998, a U.N. General Assembly Special Session on drugs committed to "eliminating or significantly reducing the illicit cultivation

of the coca bush, the cannabis plant, and the opium poppy by the year 2008." A decade later, the production of and demand for these substances are essentially the same, Nadelmann says.

While the heated debate over legalization rages on, something can be done in the meantime to ease the ill effects of this stalemate. By concentrating less resources on enforcing the criminalization aspect of drug policy, such as the cost of imprisonment, the United States can devote more funding to demand reduction and harm reduction programs.

While curbing demand for anything is extremely difficult, it has been done successfully. Take the case of smoking. Beginning in 1965, public service campaigns determined to highlight the risks of cigarette smoking hit the airwaves. Since then, smoking rates have been cut in half. Certainly some of the credit for this belongs to demand reduction efforts.

The harm reduction piece of the equation comes in the form of both prevention and rehabilitation. Syringe-exchange programs, the availability of antidotes and medication, and the expanded use of drug treatment facilities all are supported by groups such as the American Medical Association. Additionally, the expansion of these programs generally saves taxpayer money, as they are more economical front-end methods of spending that reduce back-end spending such as criminal justice and health care costs.

While such measures have been taken in the United States, they have also been slow in overcoming political inertia. The stigma associated with drug use and the power of social conservatism have made it politically advantageous to cling to the "War on Drugs" rhetoric, and treat substance abuse as a moral sin that must be eradicated. As a result, programs that seek to help addicts rather than punish them have had a difficult time getting enacted.

The repercussions of this should not be written off. According to Mathea Falco, the president of Drug Strategies, a nonprofit research institute, "Federal support for demand reduction is now about one third of the total drug budget, and treatment is available for only one in three of those who need help."

While adopting more public health strategies won't come close to ending the problems of drug abuse, it is a step in the right direction, and one that is long overdue.

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Serving Up Lies

By JOHN O'CONNELL
LIFE EDITOR

On February 18th, an story broke in the St. Petersburg press announcing that chef Robert Irvine, the MacGyver/Bond-like host of *Dinner Impossible* on the Food Network, has fabricated quite a bit of his resume.

Irvine's hit show involved his being thrown into improbable situations and asked to cook with little to no proper equipment. After Irvine released his book *Mission: Cook*, a synopsis of his life growing up and life "working for the royal family," some people became

more interested in Irvine's life. But after gloating with socialite Wendy LaTorre of St. Petersburg Florida (the location of what would have been Irvine's restaurant, *Ooze and Schmooze*, she got a little suspicious of his credentials.

"He asked to be called Sir Robert Irvine claiming that he was the highest level of knight in the knighthood order," said LaTorre in a statement released by her lawyer. In fact, Irvine was never knighted.

He also claimed to have cooked for the Royal Family. While Irvine has cooked on the royal yacht *Britannia*, he served there for a short time and never acted as the personal chef to the family. Irvine also claimed to have been a White House chef, but only acted as a consultant to the food service department.

With all these false claims, how can people continue to love him? "He can cook," said one blogger on the Save Robert Irvine blog. "Yes, he lied, but he can still cook. I will continue to watch the show and call Food network to make sure they don't cancel the show."

Bob Tucshman, Vice President of Programming for the Food Network, was unable to comment on the situation because it was under investigation. He released the following statement: "It is truly upsetting to hear about this. Chef Robert was great individual and a amazing cook, but we must look out for the viewers so they are not fed false information."

Chef Irvine was unable to be reached for comment. In a letter of apology on his website, he stated "I am ashamed for the way I conducted myself."

The Food Network has not officially announced that Irvine will not return for a fifth season, but unofficial reports have said that a search is being conducted for a new host.

But this is not the first time a Food Network Chef has lied on his/her application. Joshua Adam Garcia (JAG) of *The Next Food Network Star* lied about graduating from the New York Restaurant School and serving in Afghanistan as a Corporal in the Marine Corp. In fact, JAG had never seen a war zone and was released eight months after joining the Marines for an undisclosed reason. JAG ended up making the final round of *The Next Food Network Star* before the Army Times published an interview and then an investigative report showing that JAG had was in fact released as a private. The eventual winner, Amy Finely, replaced JAG after the story surfaced.

Who checks their credentials? Someone in Food Network management needs to wake up and start doing their job, else viewers will start tuning away soon. How do we know Duff Goldman of *Ace of Cakes* really graduated from Pastry School, or that Mario Batelli worked for Marco Pierre White?

Betas Bash Out in Winter Style

By RAFAEL BALCACER
STAFF WRITER

Ah, the Winter, what a season it was for Johnson & Wales students. It provided the snow and the cold but one would expect that because after all we are in Rhode Island. It provided memories from big snowstorms creating a winter wonderland to even having school cancelled to let the students enjoy the school. What a winter it was but now everybody in our university is looking forward to the spring and just the sheer ability to play outside with their friends playing Frisbee, playing football or even sitting outside on the grass to have themselves a good picnic. However, that image does sound wonderful but before the winter is officially closed for this school year there had to be one event that summarized all of the winter for all of the University.

Thanks to the brothers of Sigma Lambda Fraternity, there was still time to look back in the winter but at the same time look forward to the spring and all its happiness. Spring was blooming slowly a couple of days before this past Wednesday the 19th. Even though, it was mucky and rainy that night, there were some students who still went to support the event and the brothers. The rain to this writer thought it signaled that winter was still holding its grip but from the tell of the students inside the Xavier Auditorium, one could not tell that it was raining. It seemed the opposite and everybody seemed so excited for the event but however like it was outside, some people were antsy to get the event started. However, the event took a little while to get settled because of acts being late but once the event did get settled and our MC for the night, Mr. Jorge Rivera came in with his nice tan suit matching all over. He did provide some entertainment throughout the night from making his own rap that he had saved from years to simply just taking pictures with the crowd or as he put it "posing for GQ." He had the charismatic presence of a MC which was why According to Ruben Nazario '08

President of the Betas "We as a chapter that Jorge would be the best candidate as host. He is a charismatic and a well rounded gentleman. We wanted the Johnson and Wales community to see what he has to offer."

This event was incorporated and was brought back because of the high demand for it. According to Christian Koprowski '08, the recruiting chair for Sigma Lambda Beta, "What has made the event a success is that we promoted the event a month before it occurs. Besides planned performances, giving the students the opportunity to get up on stage and allowing them to express themselves through art is empowering and students love and respect that."

The event did provide entertainment for the small amount of students who did decide to go through the rain and support the brothers. From a singer named Cynthia who had an amazing voice that talked about violence which should be lowered to Shawn, a break dancer that rocked the crowd with a variety of moves that most humans cannot perform to even a performance from "The Dreams" telling a story with each of them performing a verse of a song and the performance even included splits that most men would not be able to do but did it to a loud ovation from the crowd. The intermission did help the process of the event go along so smoothly for the reason that it gave people breaks and at the same time just to enjoy what is going to happen next. Also just the sheer fact of why most people come to events like these, Free Food! Hey it provided satisfaction and also at the same time provided people to relax.

Once the intermission had finished, the show began once again, the first act that was one of the most unique of the night was The Dreams. The Dreams were a group of four guys that did perform theater very well. According to Camila Ochoteco '11 When asked about what was her favorite act of the whole show, "My favorite was the dreams because I like how it was a little theatrical in the beginning." Well the Dreams did provide the only aspect of theater throughout the entire

show but did provide entertainment for the people who attended.

The participation of the event was something that was a concern for the President of Sigma Lambda Fraternity Inc; when asked about what he could improve for the event. According to Ruben "I believe that an improvement would have be to more students in terms of participation. Many students have a passion for performing and shouldn't feel pressured or overwhelmed about sharing that with the community," he said. However, when asked about how the project was started if it was a collaboration project or if any of the brothers themselves came up with the project, Ruben said; "As a chapter, we wanted to come up with a performance event for the Johnson and Wales community last year. Brother Jorge Rivera was the individual who came up with the concept and brought it to another level. Winter bash was awarded the Cultural Program of the Year by the Northeastern District of the Sigma Lambda Beta Incorporated Family."

The students did seem to feel as part of the entertainment because most of the crowd knew who was performing and they could tell that it was going to be a good performance. After the Dreams, Were a couple of up and coming rap groups that had the people moving and dancing just to end the show. The ending of the show did come with a bit of difficulty of understanding because after the last act, they did just walk off the stage and people were left wondering like the Sopranos ending, What just happened?

What can be determined about this show? Simply, it was a great show that brought a lot of different people throughout the Johnson and Wales Community and the city of Providence itself. It had its difficulties and glitches but any vent will have that problem. What an event; it kept this writer dancing and moving his feet all night. What can be said however after all this, is that the Betas did bash out winter in style and now as a community we can all look forward to the spring.

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Dating in Providence

By NOELLE WILSON
STAFF WRITER

Spring is here. It's getting warmer and ladies there are a lot of us who are single and trying to find a man. So I made a list of the types of men we all need to stay away from.

Clearly as I stated (and some of you know by experience) the dating scene in Providence is stale. I'm not saying there's not good looking people out there, because I can name at least four sexy men in Providence that I'd let ruin my life. But a lot of the time with the dashing good looks comes a dry personality. I know I sound like I'm male bashing a lot... and I don't mean to because believe me I LOVE men. I like some hair on the chest. I like the strong arms that can pick you up or protect you from anything and everything. I like the smell of men's cologne. I like when they tell me I'm beautiful. I like a man who's 'manicured' in all areas. It's just that sometimes the only stimulation that this perfect package is offering is for your eyes and genitals.

Take for instance one of those four attractive men that I mentioned. I personally have held a couple small conversations with them in a social atmosphere before. Their esthetically pleasing faces and bodies trigger a dirty porn scene between the all of us in my mind. BUT, that may be all they have to offer. Their conversation-talk is always less than intellectually stimulating. In other words, they seem pretty dumb and boring. I wouldn't completely label them "mints". ** (see note) But their personalities definitely hold 'minty' characteristics.

Another instance, the lying creeper. This is the guy that you meet and you actually have an enjoyable conversation with. You exchange numbers, and plan to meet up again sometime in the near future. Conversations stay positive, and you start to think 'dude, this is a REALLY cool guy'. Then, something switches in their head. They all the sudden start acting like a total creepster. Asking too many questions about things you may not even discuss with your girlfriends. They start analyzing you like Dr. Fucking Freud. They may suggest ways you should

'better' your life. They may rub your friends the wrong way... or you... physically. They start nonchalantly stalking you. You know, in ways that are socially acceptable in small doses. But he goes and ODs on the shit. I'm still trying to figure out if its alcohol induced, a specific social setting, or maybe like a certain number of interactions that triggers this 'creepster' mode.

Then my favorite, Joe College or let's just call him Bob College b/c Bob sounds funnier than Joe. Bob College is that guy in denial of the fact that he's not in college anymore... Seeing that this is a huge College town I am sure you all have encountered him. He's that guy who consumes too much beer every single weekend. Who blacks out 2-4 times a month and wakes up in a puddle of his own piss on a floor that's not his. He's the guy who thinks Hell night club is the perfect date. I don't even need to go on, because you all know him. And if you don't, then look in the mirror because you sir, are Bob College. Wake up; you're 25/26 years old. Focus on your job, treat girls with respect, and take down your college banner in your living room.

I swear I'm not bitter. Just expressive.

And last but not least, Johnny Suit 'n Tie, eth-NICK, and Vinny VIP. I've already mentioned these guys before, but they all fit into the same category. They wear their sunglasses at night, striped shirts, and drink vodka redbulls. They know everyone everywhere, spend longer getting ready than any woman, and need compliments like air to live.

They'll call you 'babe', smell like they dove into a bottle of Aqua di Gio, and go to Mcfaddens EVERY THURSDAY. Their shot of choice? You guessed it...cherry bombs. :: swoon::

I believe I speak for most women when I say we are still waiting to be impressed. I'm not trying to toot my own horn...maybe it's just that my friends and I are mildly intimidating. Or maybe its that some men just don't get it.

(**A 'mint' is considered someone with a big, boring, forgettable face. Picture if you will, a Mentos. Just round and plain... looks just like the other ones in the box. A generic mass of candy you forget about as soon as it's gone.)

ASK THE SEXPERT

Dear Sexpert: All these events about World AIDS Day made me realize I need an HIV test! Where do I go? What's the process like? Is it free?

Answer: Real quick answer – there is free, rapid HIV testing at Downcity Health Services Tuesday, December 11, from 12-4pm! Rapid HIV testing, the OraQuick Advance, means you get your test results in about 20 minutes! This confidential testing is provided by The Miriam Hospital and by appointment only; call Elsa at Health Education x2023 to reserve a spot. If you miss this testing clinic, you can access free HIV testing from community agencies in Providence.

Testing methods: The most common technology for HIV testing is venipuncture; a phlebotomist will draw a small amount of blood from your arm and you should receive your results within 2 weeks. For folks who are uncomfortable with needles, there are a few other options. OraSure testing is an alternative technology, as reliable as blood testing, and works by using an oral swab to detect HIV antibodies. You will receive your results in about one week. And just for the record, that doesn't mean you can get HIV from saliva: HIV tests look for HIV antibodies, not the virus.

Antibody Testing: All of these tests look for antibodies to HIV, not the virus. Your immune system produces antibodies in response to HIV infection. If you test positive for HIV antibodies, it means you are infected with HIV. If you test negative, it means the test found no antibodies to HIV. It can take your body up to three months (after becoming infected) to produce enough antibodies for the HIV test to detect. This is sometimes called the "window period." If you have had an exposure in the last three months, it may be too early to detect it, and you may be advised to come back for another test.

Confidential vs. anonymous: In Rhode Island, providers can offer confidential and anonymous HIV testing. Confidential testing most often happens at doctor's offices, clinics, and hospitals. If you choose confidential testing, they may document your results in your medical record. All your health information, including your HIV result, is confidential, and can't be released without your written permission. Like other communicable diseases, doctors are required to report positive test results to the state Department of Health to track HIV rates. This information is highly protected and kept confidential.

If you are concerned about your doctor, insurance company, or Department of Health knowing your HIV status, you can choose anonymous testing. This is done using a number code as an identifier. No names are used and consent is given verbally. There are multiple community sites in Providence that offer free, anonymous testing. All of these sites provide pre and post test HIV prevention counseling. For the most up to date information about local HIV testing sites, call AIDS Project RI's Hotline at 1.800.726.3010.

For more specific questions about HIV testing, call Elsa, the health educator at 598-2023 or stop by Health Education on the 3rd Floor of the CBCSI. The Health Educator is an HIV testing counselor and HIV/AIDS educator and can answer your questions and make referrals. All appointments with the Health Educator are confidential.

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GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

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